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Art Unit : 1637
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the non-final action dated July 18, 2002, please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.

In the claims:

Please amend claim 26 as follows.

26. (Amended) A method of constructing a DNA library for screening in a two-hybrid system, comprising:

providing a plurality of nucleic acid molecules, wherein each of the plurality of nucleic acid molecules includes, in order from 5' to 3', a first common sequence, a library element encoding region, and a second common sequence;

providing a plurality of first primers, each of said first primers having a first region which hybridizes to said first common sequence of said nucleic acid molecule and having a second region which does not hybridize to said first or second common sequence;

providing a plurality of second primers, each of said second primers having a first region which hybridizes to said second common sequence of said nucleic acid molecule and having a second region which does not hybridize to said second or first common sequence;

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